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REMARKS:

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Applicant has carefully considered the Office Action mailed January 28, 2005.

Reconsideration of the application in view of this amendment in response thereto is respectfully requested.

Claim 3 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by Kulis (U.S. Pat. No. 6,033,099). Claim 3 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

It is noted with appreciation that claims 1-2 are allowed.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if it is felt that prosecution of this application may be expedited thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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